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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Please make the following amendments to the claims:

1-82. (Cancelled)

83. (New) A method for providing a media service to a user via an interactive media

services client coupled to a programmable media services server device, the method comprising;

receiving, by the STT, a movie identification identifying a movie;

assigning an access duration having a first value to the movie, responsive to receiving the

movie identification;

enabling, by the STT, the user to access the movie video presentation during the access

duration;

;

receiving, by the STT, a first user input enabling the user to extend the access duration

from the first value to a second value, the second value specified by the user; and

enabling, by the STT, the user to access the movie during the extended access duration,

responsive to receiving the first user input.

84. (New) The method of claim 83, further comprising the step of:

providing the user with pricing information related to the extended access duration.

85. (New) The method of claim 83, further comprising:

providing, by the STT, the user with a selectable option, the selectable option being

configured to enable the user to extend the access duration from the first value to the second

value; and

receiving by the STT the first user input corresponding to the selectable option.

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86. (New) The method of claim 83, further comprising

providing, by the STT, the user with a selectable option during the first access duration, the selectable option being configured to enable the user to extend the access duration from the first value to the second value; and

receiving by the STT the first user input corresponding to the selectable option.

87. (New) The method of claim 83, further comprising:

providing, by the STT, the user with a plurality of selectable options, each of the selectable options being configured to enable the user to extend the access duration from the first value to a third value; and

receiving by the STT the first user input corresponding to the one of the selectable options.

88. (New) The method of claim 83, further comprising:

providing, by the STT, the user with a plurality of selectable options during the first access duration, each of the selectable options being configured to enable the user to extend the access duration from the first value to a third value; and

receiving by the STT the first user input corresponding to the one of the selectable options.

89. (New) The method of claim 88, further comprising:

prior to the step of receiving the first user input corresponding to one of the selectable options, providing the user with information indicating an amount of playing time corresponding to a remainder of the movie, the remainder being calculated from a current interruption point in the movie video presentation.

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90. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 88, further comprising:

providing the user with information identifying a plurality of prices, wherein each of the plurality of prices corresponds to a respective one of the plurality of selectable options.

91. (New) The method of claim 83, further comprising:

charging the user a first price in connection with the access duration; and

charging the user a second price in connection with the extended access duration, wherein

the first price is different from the second price.

92. (New) The method of claim 83, further comprising the step of:

prior to the step of receiving the first user input, providing the user with information indicating that there is insufficient time remaining in the access duration to enable the user to view a remainder of the movie.

93. (New) The method of claim 83, further comprising:

prior to the step of receiving the first user input, providing the user with information indicating an amount of time remaining in the access duration.

94. (New) The method of claim 83, further comprising:

receiving, by the STT, during the access duration at least a portion of the movie from a server located remotely from the STT; and

outputting, by the STT, during the access duration said at least a portion of the movie to the television;

interrupting, by the STT, the output during the access duration, responsive to a second user input, wherein the interruption occurs at a current location;

resuming the output at the current location, by the STT, during the access duration,

responsive to a third user input; and

receiving, by the STT, during a period between interrupt and the resume, the first user input enabling the user to extend the access duration from the first value to the second value, the second value specified by the user;

95. (New) The method of claim 83, further comprising:

receiving, by the STT, during the extended access duration at least a portion of the movie from a server located remotely from the STT; and

outputting, by the STT, during the extended access duration said at least a portion of the movie to the television.

96. (New) A television set-top terminal (STT) configured to provide video content via a television, the STT comprising:

at least one memory having stored thereon program code; and

at least one processor that is programmed by at least the program code to enable the STT to:

receive a movie identification identifying a movie and an access duration having a first value;

enable the user to access the movie video presentation during the access duration;

receive a first user input enabling the user to extend the access duration from the first value to a second value, the second value specified by the user; and

enabling, by the STT, the user to access the movie during the extended access duration, responsive to receiving the first user input.

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97. (New) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

provide the user with pricing information related to the extended access duration.

98. (New) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

provide the user with a selectable option, the selectable option being configured to enable the user to extend the access duration from the first value to the second value; and receive the first user input corresponding to the selectable option.

99. (New) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

provide the user with a selectable option during the first access duration, the selectable option being configured to enable the user to extend the access duration from the first value to the second value; and

receive the first user input corresponding to the selectable option.

100. (New) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

provide the user with a plurality of selectable options, each of the selectable options being configured to enable the user to extend the access duration from the first value to a third value; and

receive the first user input corresponding to the one of the selectable options.

101. (New) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

provide the user with a plurality of selectable options during the first access duration, each of the selectable options being configured to enable the user to extend the access duration from the first value to a third value; and

receive the first user input corresponding to the one of the selectable options.

102. (New) The STT of claim 101, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

prior to the receiving the first user input corresponding to one of the selectable options, provide the user with information indicating an amount of playing time corresponding to a remainder of the movie, the remainder being calculated from a current interruption point in the movie video presentation.

103. (New) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

provide the user with information identifying a plurality of prices, wherein each of the plurality of prices corresponds to a respective one of the plurality of selectable options.

104. (New) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

prior to receiving the first user input, provide the user with information indicating that there is insufficient time remaining in the access duration to enable the user to view a remainder of the movie.

105. (New) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

prior to receiving the first user input, provide the user with information indicating an amount of time remaining in the access duration.

106. (New) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

receive, during the access duration, at least a portion of the movie from a server located remotely from the STT; and

output, during the access duration, the at least a portion of the movie to the television; interrupt the output, during the access duration, responsive to a second user input, wherein the interruption occurs at a current location;

resume the output at the current location, during the access duration, responsive to a third user input; and

receive, during a period between interrupt and the resume, the first user input enabling the user to extend the access duration from the first value to the second value, the second value specified by the user;

107. (New) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

receive, during the extended access duration at least a portion of the movie from a server located remotely from the STT; and

output, during the extended access duration said at least a portion of the movie to the television.